

## Message Text

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ACTION STR-04

INFO OCT-01 IO-13 ISO-00 AF-10 ARA-06 EA-07 EUR-12

NEA-10 OIC-02 AGRE-00 CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00

DODE-00 EB-08 FRB-03 H-01 INR-07 INT-05 L-03

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FM USDEL MTN GENEVA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2398

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ACTION STR

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E.O.11652: NA

TAGS: ETRD, MTN

SUBJECT: TROPICAL PRODUCTS - NEXT MEETING

1. GATT SECRETARIAT PHONED MTN DEL THIS MORNING TO PROPOSE THAT NEXT MEETING DATE OF TP GROUP BE SCHEDULED FOR MAY 12 AND 13. SECRETARIAT INDICATED THAT CHARIMAN MARTINEZ HAD BEEN INCONTACT WITH SEVERAL DELEGATIONS AND THAT CONSENSUS WAS FORMING AROUND PROPOSED DATES. MTN DEL INDICATED ITS VIEW THAT MEETING SHOULD BE HELD AT AA TIME IN WHICH PROGRESS COULD BE MATDE, THUS WE HAD MISGIVINGS ABOUT PROPOSED DATES. WE REQUESTED TIME TO CONSULT WITH WASHINGTON.

2. AS REPORTED PREVIOUSLY, TIMING OF THE MEETING IS CLOSELY RELATED TO LDC DESIRES TO HOLD TP MEETING AT A TIME WHEN ALL DC OFFERS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE US, WERE IMPLEMENTED, AND TO HOLD THE MEETING DURING THE INTERVAL BETWEEN THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ECONOMIC SUMMIT IN LONDON AND THE CIEC MINISTERIAL, IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN MAXIMUM POLITICAL LEVERAGE. DESPITE THESE OBVIOUS TACTICS, MTN DEL BELIEVES THAT US RESISTANCE TO AN APPARENT CONSENSUS AROUND THESE DATES WOULD ONLY DRAW ADDITIONAL ATTENTION TO US ISOLATION IN THIS GROUP. IN ADDITION, THE TP GROUP HAS NOT MET SINCE OCTOBER 1976. WE THEREFORE REQUEST AUTHORITY TO INFORM

THE SECRETARIAT OF OUR ACCEPTANCE OF THESE DATES. THE  
LIKELY AGENDA IS CONTAINED IN PARA 12 OF MTN/TP/7, THE  
CHARIMAN'S SUMMARY FOR THE LAST MEETING.CULBERT

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